

In the United States Court of Federal Claims

OFFICE OF SPECIAL MASTERS

No. 18-0838V

Filed: April 29, 2019

UNPUBLISHED

ANGELA OVERALL,

Petitioner,

v.

SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND
HUMAN SERVICES,

Respondent.

Special Processing Unit (SPU);
Ruling on Entitlement; Concession;
Table Injury; Tetanus Diphtheria
acellular Pertussis (Tdap) Vaccine;
Brachial Neuritis

Danielle Strait, Maglio Christopher & Toale, PA, Seattle, WA, for petitioner.
Ida Nassar, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC, for respondent.

RULING ON ENTITLEMENT¹

Dorsey, Chief Special Master:

On June 13, 2018, petitioner filed a petition for compensation under the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program, 42 U.S.C. §300aa-10, *et seq.*,² (the “Vaccine Act”). Petitioner alleges that she suffered brachial neuritis causally related to an adverse reaction from the tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (“tdap”) vaccination she received in her left arm on February 19, 2016. Petition at 1, ¶¶ 1, 9-10. Petitioner further alleges that she received the vaccination in the United States, has suffered the residual effects of her injury for more than six months, and that neither she nor any other party has filed a civil action or received compensation for her injury alleged as vaccine caused. *Id.* at ¶¶ 1, 11, 14-15. The case was assigned to the Special Processing Unit of the Office of Special Masters.

¹ The undersigned intends to post this ruling on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website. **This means the ruling will be available to anyone with access to the internet.** In accordance with Vaccine Rule 18(b), petitioner has 14 days to identify and move to redact medical or other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of privacy. If, upon review, the undersigned agrees that the identified material fits within this definition, the undersigned will redact such material from public access. Because this unpublished ruling contains a reasoned explanation for the action in this case, undersigned is required to post it on the United States Court of Federal Claims' website in accordance with the E-Government Act of 2002. 44 U.S.C. § 3501 note (2012) (Federal Management and Promotion of Electronic Government Services).

² National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, Pub. L. No. 99-660, 100 Stat. 3755.

On April 29, 2019, respondent filed his Rule 4(c) report in which he concedes that petitioner is entitled to compensation in this case. Respondent's Rule 4(c) Report at 1. Specifically, respondent indicates "[i]t is [his] position that petitioner suffered brachial neuritis, and that she has satisfied the criteria set forth in the revised Vaccine Injury Table ("Table") and the Qualifications and Aids to Interpretation ("QAI")." *Id.* at 8.

In view of respondent's position and the evidence of record, the undersigned finds that petitioner is entitled to compensation.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Nora Beth Dorsey

Nora Beth Dorsey
Chief Special Master